

REMARKS

By this Amendment, claims 1, 19, and 37-38 are amended to merely clarify the recited subject matter. Claims 4 and 22 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 1-3, 5-21, and 23-38 are pending. Claims 1, 19, and 38 are independent.

I. Telephonic Interview of September 7, 2004 – Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for taking the time to speak with Applicant's representative on September 7, 2004. It was agreed that claim 19 amended to include the feature recited in claim 22 ("wherein the receiver box has its own IP address for receiving directions") would be allowable. Applicant has so amended claim 19 and submits that claim 19 is now allowable.

The Office Action indicated that claims 4, 22, and 37 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicant has amended independent claim 1 to incorporate the limitations of claim 4. Claim 37 has been amended to depend from amended claim 1. Accordingly, Applicant submits that claims 1 and 37 are now allowable.

Independent claim 38 has been amended to recite the feature of claim 4 ("wherein the receiver box has its own IP address for receiving directions") and is now allowable.

II. Claim Rejections – 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-2, 5-7, 10-20, 23-25, 28-36, and 38 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Naslund (U.S. Patent No. 6,223,031) in view of Niemela (U.S. Patent No. 5,978,675); claims 8-9 and 26-27 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Naslund in view of Niemela and Molinari et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,308,065; hereafter "Molinari"); and claims 3 and 21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Naslund in view of Niemela and Rahman (U.S. Patent No. 6,445,916).

As discussed above, amended independent claims 1, 19, and 38 are now allowable. Claims 2-3, 5-18, 20-21, and 23-37, which respectively depend from claims 1 and 19, are allowable for the above reasons and for the additional features recited therein. Accordingly, the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) should be withdrawn.

III. Conclusion

All rejections and objections have been addressed. It is respectfully submitted that the present application is now in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. Should there be any questions or concerns regarding this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Please charge any fees associated with the submission of this paper to Deposit Account Number 033975. The Commissioner for Patents is also authorized to credit any over payments to the above-referenced Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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